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SUBJ: NRC HEARINGS ON XSNM-845

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1. IN WRITTEN NOTE OF JULY 19TH, DR SETHNA HAS ASKED ME TO PASS
THE FOLLOWING SUBSTANTIVE REPLY TO MYRON KRATZER. BEGIN QUOTE.

A. THE DATE FURNISHED IN MY LETTER OF 5TH APRIL REMAINS ESSENT-
IALLY UNAFFECTED. SLIGHT CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE NFC
SCHEDULES TO SUIT THE UNCERTAINTIES OF RECENT WEEKS AND AS A
RESULT WE STILL EXPECT TO EXHAUST THE STOCK OF FRESH UF6 BY THE
END OF AUGUST. THE 805 MATERIAL WILL THEN BE TAKEN UP FOR
PROCESSING AROUND MID-SEPTEMBER AFTER A PLANT CLEAN-OUT.

B. WITH THE AVAILABILITY OF MODIFIED 805 WE HAVE ENOUGH FRESH
MATERIAL FOR THE JULY 1976 JANUARY 1977 AND JULY 1977 REFUELLINGS.
THE LAST CYLINDER OF 805 MATERIAL WILL BE CHARGED IN NFC BY MID-
JANUARY 1977. ALL OF 805 WILL THUS BE EXHAUSTED AROUND MID-
FEBRUARY 1977.

C. REGARDING XSNM-845, UNDER OPTIMAL CONDITIONS AN EARLY NOVEMBER
SHIPMENT EX-USA SHOULD SUFFICE. HOWEVER, THE EXTENT TO WHICH
THIS CAN BE ADVANCED WILL PROVIDE SOME ABILITY TO MEET UNFORE-
SEEN PROBLEMS, BOTH EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL TO NFC, WHICH CANNOT BE
IGNORED IN OUR CIRCUMSTANCES. ANY DELAY IN SHIPMENT FROM THE
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EARLY NOVEMBER DATE WILL HAVE ADVERSE CONSEQUENCES ON NFC

OPERATIONS, AND THEREFORE ON THOSE OF TARAPUR. END QUOTE.

2. COMMENTS FOLLOW IN SEPARATE TELEGRAM.
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